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HUSBAND, WIFE SENTENCED FOR CONSPIRING WITH STATE PRISON INMATE IN CREDIT CARD FRAUD

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a husband and wife from Kansas City, Kansas, were sentenced in federal court today for conspiring with an inmate at the Tipton Correction Center to purchase lingerie, a lawn tractor and other items with stolen credit card account numbers. That inmate was sentenced last week for his role in the conspiracy.

Michael Scott Glenn, 27, of Kansas City, Kansas, was sentenced this morning by U.S. District Judge Nanette K. Laughrey to four years of probation, including four months at a halfway house. **Stacie Lynn Glenn**, 26, also of Kansas City, Kansas, was sentenced this morning by U.S. District Judge Nanette K. Laughrey to three years of probation. The **Glenns** are married.

Both **Michael** and **Stacie Glenn** pleaded guilty on May 24, 2002 to conspiring with a codefendant, **Ross Murray Grimmett**, 39, an inmate at the Tipton Correction Center, to use stolen credit card account numbers to make purchases with the intent to defraud others. **Grimmett** was sentenced on September 27, 2002, to two years in prison, Graves said. The court also ordered **Grimmett** and the **Glenns** to pay \$3,317.70 in restitution to three banks.

The fraud began when **Grimmett** called the **Glenns** in February 2001, Graves explained, and recruited them to participate in a conspiracy to obtain and traffic in stolen identities and credit card account numbers. The **Glenns** agreed to assist **Grimmett** by accepting telephone calls placed to them from **Grimmett** at the TCC, and then either forwarding his call or placing three-way calls for him to different businesses. In their plea agreements, the **Glenns** both claimed that **Grimmett** had agreed to help them out with their bills if they would help him with the phone calls and sign for deliveries.

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In March 2001, **Grimmett** had the **Glenns** place third party calls to several hospitals and businesses, Graves said, and **Grimmett** was able to obtain the names, dates of birth, Social Security numbers and credit card numbers and expiration dates of several victims.

The **Glenns** both admitted in their plea agreements that the total amount of the actual loss and the attempted loss as a result of the fraud in this conspiracy was approximately \$8,000. Graves noted that, among the items purchased using an unknowing victim's identity and stolen credit card numbers, was \$1,017 in merchandise from Victoria's Secret and a \$1,745.68 Scott lawn tractor from Home Depot.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Lawrence E. Miller. It was investigated by the United States Secret Service and the Missouri Department of Corrections.

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